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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For the Encouragement of Piety and Virtue, and for the Preventing and Punishing of Vice, Prophaneness, and Immorality.

ANNE R.

WE most Seriously and Religiously Considering, That it is an Indispensible Duty on Us, to be Careful, above all other things, to Preserve and Advance the Honour and Service of Almighty God, and to Discourage and Suppress all Vice, Prophaneness, Debauchery and Immorality, which are so highly Displeasing to God, so great a Reproach to our Religion and Government, and (by means of the frequent ill Examples of the Practicers thereof) have so Fatal a Tendency to the Corruption of many of Our Loving Subjects, otherwise Religiously and Vertuously Disposed, and which (if not timely Remedied) may justly draw down the Divine Vengeance on Us and Our Kingdoms: We also humbly Acknowledging, That We cannot expect the Blessing and Goodness of Almighty God (by whom Kings and Queens Reign) and on which We entirely Rely) to make Our Reign Happy and Prosperous to Our Self and Our People, nor hope for the Divine Assistance to Deliver us from the great and imminent Dangers which Our Kingdoms, and the True Protestant Religion, Established among Us, are in this present Juncture Threatned with, without a Religious Observance of God's Holy Laws: To the Intent therefore that Religion, Piety, and Good Manners may (according to Our most Hearty Desire) Flourish and Increase under Our Administration and Government, We have thought fit (by the Advice of Our Privy Council) to Issue this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby Declare Our Royal Purpose and Resolution to Discountenance and Punish all manner of Vice, Prophaneness and Immorality in all Persons of whatsoever Degree or Quality within this Our Realm, and particularly in such as are imployed near Our Royal Person; and that for the greater Encouragement of Religion and Morality, We will, upon all Occasions, Distinguish Persons of Piety and Virtue by Marks of Our Royal Favour. And we do Expect and Require that all Persons of Honour, or in Place of Authority, will give good Example by their own Virtue and Piety, and to their utmost contribute to the Discountenancing Persons of Dissolute and Debauched Lives, that they being by that means reduced to Shame and Contempt, for their Loose and Evil Actions and Behaviour, may be thereby also Enforced the sooner to Reform their ill Habits and Practices, and that the visible Displeasure of Good Men towards them, may (as far as it is possible) supply what the Laws (probably) cannot altogether prevent. And we do hereby strictly Enjoyn and Prohibit all Our Loving Subjects, of what Degree or Quality soever, from Playing on the Lords Day at Dice, Cards, or any other Game whatsoever, either in Publick or Private Houses, or other Place or Places whatsoever; and do hereby Require and Command them and every of them Decently and Reverently to Attend the Worship of God on every Lords Day, on Pain of Our Highest Displeasure, and of being Proceeded against with the Utmost Rigour that may be by Law. And for the more Effectual Reforming of all such Persons, who by Reason of their Dissolute Lives and Conversations, are a Scandal to Our Kingdom, Our further Pleasure is, and We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all Our Judges, Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and all other Our Officers and Ministers, both Ecclesiastical and Civil, and all other Our Subjects, whom it may Concern, to be very Vigilant and Strict in the Discovery, and the Effectual Prosecution and Punishment of all Persons who shall be Guilty of Excessive Drinking, Blasphemy, Prophane Swearing and Cursing, Lewdness, Prophanation of the Lords Day, or other Dissolute, Immoral or Disorderly Practices; and that they take Care also Effectually to Suppress all Bawdy-Houses, Publick Gaming-Houses and Places, and other Disorderly Houses, and to put in Execution the Statute made in the Nine and twentieth Year of the Reign of Our late Royal Uncle King Charles the Second, Intituled, An Act for the better Observation of the Lords Day, commonly called Sunday, and also an Act of Parliament made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Our late Dear Brother King William the Third, Intituled, An Act for the more Effectual Suppressing of Blasphemy and Prophaneness, and all other Laws now in Force for the Punishing and Suppressing any of the Vices aforesaid; and also to Suppress and Prevent all Gaming whatsoever in Publick or Private Houses on the Lords Day, and likewise that they take Effectual Care to prevent all Persons Keeping Taverns, Chocolate Houses, Coffee-Houses, or other Publick Houses whatsoever, from Selling Wine, Chocolate, Coffee, Ale, Beer, or other Liquors, or receiving or permitting Guests to be or remain in such their Houses in the Time of Divine Service on the Lords Day, as they will answer it to Almighty God, and upon Pain of Our highest Displeasure. And for the more Effectual proceeding herein, We do hereby Direct and Command all Our Judges of Assize, and Justices of the Peace, to give strict Charges at their respective Assizes and Sessions, for the due Prosecution and Punishment of all Persons that shall presume to Offend in any the kinds aforesaid, and also of all Persons that, contrary to their Duty, shall be Remiss or Negligent in putting the said Laws in Execution; and that they do at their respective Assizes and Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, cause this Our Proclamation to be publickly Read in open Court immediately before the Charge is given. And We do hereby further Charge and Command every Minister in his respective Parish-Church or Chapel, to Read or cause to be Read this Our Proclamation, at least Four times in every Year, immediately after Divine Service, and to incite and stir up their respective Auditors to the Practice of Piety and Virtue, and the Avoiding of all Immorality and Prophaneness. And to the end that all Vice and Debauchery may be prevented, and Religion and Virtue practised by all Officers, Private Soldiers, Mariners, and others, who are Imployed in Our Service, by Sea or Land, We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all Our Commanders and Officers whatsoever, That they do take Care to avoid all Prophaneness, Debauchery, and other Immoralities, and that by their own Good and Virtuous Lives and Conversations, they do set good Examples to all such as are under their Care and Authority, and likewise take Care of, and Inspect the Behaviour of all such as are under them, and to Punish all those who shall be Guilty of any the Offences aforesaid, as they will be Answerable for the Ill Consequences of their Neglect herein.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the Twenty sixth Day of *March*, 1702. In the First Year of Our Reign.

By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For Restraining the Spreading False News, and Printing and Publishing of Irreligious and Seditious Papers and Libels.

ANNE R.

WHereas by an Act of Parliament made in the Third Year of the Reign of King Edward the First, It is Enacted, That none be so hardy to Tell or Publish any False News or Tales, whereby Discord, or Occasion of Discord or Slander may grow between the King and His People, or the Great Men of the Realm, and that he that doth so shall be Taken and Kept in Prison until he hath brought him into Court which was first Author of the Tale. And by another Act made in the Second Year of the Reign of King Richard the Second, It is Declared, That the Devising, Speaking and Telling such False News and Tales, was likely to occasion great Peril and Mischief to, and the quick Subversion and Destruction of this Realm: For the Preventing whereof, It is thereby Enacted, That none be so hardy to Devise, Speak or to Tell any False News, Lies, or other False Things, of Prelates, Noblemen, and Officers of the Crown, therein Named, whereof Discord, or any Slander might Arise within this Realm, under the Pain Ordained by the said Statute of King Edward the First. And by another Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of the said King Richard the Second, It is Enacted, That when any such shall be Taken and Imprisoned, and cannot find him by whom the Speech be moved, that he shall be Punished for such his Offence. And whereas the Preventing of the Spreading and Publishing of False News and Tales, and the Writing, Printing and Publishing of Heretical, Blasphemous, Irreligious, Treasonable, Seditious and Scandalous Books, Pamphlets, Libels and Papers, is a Matter which requires Our Publick Care, and is of great Concernment, especially considering, that by reason of the general Licentiousness of the Times, since an Act for Preventing Abuses in Printing Seditious, Treasonable and Unlicensed Books and Pamphlets, and for Regulating of Printing and Printing Presses, made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of Our late Royal Uncle King Charles the Second, and Continued by an Act made in the Fourth Year of the Reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, Expired, many Evil disposed Persons have Written, Printed and Published divers Heretical, Blasphemous, Irreligious, Treasonable, and Seditious Books, Pamphlets, Papers, and many False, Infamous and Scandalous Libels, and do Continue such their Unlawful and Exorbitant Practices, Endeavouring thereby to Traduce and Reproach the Ecclesiastical and Temporal Government of this Kingdom, and the Publick Ministers of the same, and the Proceedings and Manners of both Houses of Parliament, and other Our Loving Subjects, to the high Dishonour of Almighty God, and the Endangering the Peace of these Kingdoms, contrary to the said Statutes, and the Common Laws of Our Realm: We therefore (with the Advice of Our Privy Council) Do by this Our Royal Proclamation, Charge and Command all Our Subjects, of what state or Condition soever they be, That they do not henceforth presume, either by Writing, Printing or Speaking, to Tell or Publish any False News or Tales, contrary to the Statutes before mentioned; Nor Write, Print, Publish or Sell, or cause to be Written, Printed, Published or Sold, any Heretical, Blasphemous, Irreligious, Treasonable, or Seditious Books, Papers or Pamphlets, or any Scandalous Libels, Reflecting upon Us, or upon the Ecclesiastical or Temporal Government of this Realm, or any of Our Publick Ministers or Officers, or on the Proceedings of either of Our Houses of Parliament, or any the Members thereof, or upon any other of Our Loving Subjects. And We do hereby further Declare, That We will Proceed with the utmost Severity and Rigour of Law, against all such Persons who shall be Guilty of any the Malicious and Unlawful Practices aforesaid; We being Resolved, as much as in Us lies, to Suppress the said Enormities by a most Strict and Exemplary Punishment of all such Offenders herein, as shall hereafter be Discovered: To the Discoverers whereof We will give all due Encouragement. And We do hereby Streightly Charge and Command all and singular Our Judges, Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Mayors, Bayliffs, and all other Our Officers and Ministers whatsoever, to take Effectual Care for the Speedy Apprehension, Prosecution and Punishment of all such Persons who shall at any time hereafter be found Offenders herein.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall*, the Twenty sixth Day of *March*, 1702. In the First Year of Our Reign.

St. James's,

St. James's, March 28. The following Addreſs of the Society for Propagating the Goſpel in Foreign Parts, was preſented to Her Majeſty by his Grace the Lord Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* Preſident, and the reſt of the Members of that Society.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Society for Propagating the Goſpel in Foreign Parts.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Preſident, Vice-Preſidents, and the reſt of the Members of the Society for the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts, having had full Aſſurance of Your Majeſty's moſt eminent Piety and Goodneſs expreſs'd through the whole courſe of your Life, and particularly of Your Majeſty's zealous Concern for the Support and Preſervation of the Church of* England; *do moſt humbly beg Leave, after Condoling with Your Majeſty for the great Loſs ſuſtain'd by the Death of our late King of Glorious Memory, the Founder of this Society, to expreſs our great Joy and Satisfaction, to ſee a Princeſs of ſuch illuſtrious Piety and Virtue (who was in the moſt dangerous Times, and, by the peculiar Favour of God, preſerv'd for the Happineſs of this Nation) now advanced to the Throne of your Royal Anceſtors: In which high Station, thoſe Excellent and Princely Endowments will be exerted to the greateſt Advantage of all your Subjects, and have their juſt Effects, as well in Promoting a Glorious Reformation, and thereby an Happy Union at Home, as in Propagating the Chriſtian Faith in all Your Majeſty's Dominions Abroad.*

And this Great Work of Propagating the Chriſtian Religion being that with which we have the Honour to be particularly entruſted, we cannot but be deeply ſenſible of the Obligation we have to Your Majeſty for your Princely Beneficence to it, when it was firſt Undertaken and Carried on by a Private Society.

Theſe Conſiderations, (Dread Sovereign) together with Your Majeſty's Declaration in Council, your moſt Gracious Speech to both Houſes of Parliament; and your Royal Proclamations, the one, for the Encouragement of Piety and Virtue, and for the Preventing and Puniſhing of Vice, Prophaneneſs, and Immorality; and the other, for Reſtraining and Spreading Falſe News, and Printing and Publiſhing of Irreligious and Seditious Papers and Libels; give us entire Aſſurance of your Zeal for the Publick Good, the Protection of your Subjects in their Rights and Properties, and the Preſervation of the eſtabliſh'd Government both in Church and State. And we are hereby induced to believe, That Your Majeſty's Government being thus founded on Religion and Juſtice, cannot fail of a Bleſſing from Heaven upon all your Royal Undertakings, which fills us with great Hopes of Proſperity and Succeſs to your Arms abroad, in aſſiſting your Allies, preſerving the Proteſtant Religion, and ſecuring the Trade and Welfare of England; *all which do ſo plainly depend upon reducing into juſt Bounds the Exorbitant Power of* France.

And having a Proſpect of ſo many Bleſſings under Your Majeſty's Auſpicious and Pious Reign, we can never doubt but to ſee the ſame effectually eſtabliſhed in the Hearts of all your Loyal Subjects.

And we do with all Humility and Loyalty aſſure Your Majeſty, That we will moſt readily at all Times, and upon all Occaſions, to the utmoſt of our Power, defend, ſupport, and maintain, Your Royal Perſon and Government, and the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line as by Law eſtabliſhed, againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies whatſoever.*

And we do from the bottom of our Hearts, humbly beſeech Almighty God to continue theſe great Bleſſings to this Church and Nation, by giving Your Majeſty a long, as well as proſperous, Reign over us.

To which Addreſs Her Majeſty was moſt graciouſly pleaſed to anſwer,

I Shall always be deſirous to do my Part towards the Encouraging and Promoting ſo Good a Work.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Fowey* was preſented to to Her Majeſty by *John Hickes* Eſq; one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord *De la War*, Groom of the Stole to his Royal Highneſs Prince *George* of *Denmark*.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Free Burgeſſes, and other Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's Borough of *Fowey*, in the County of *Cornwall*.

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Alderman, Free Burgeſſes, and other Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's Borough of* Fowey, *do humbly beg Leave to Condole with Your Majeſty for the deplorable Loſs of our late Gracious Sovereign; and to Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of theſe Kingdoms.*

The Great Concern, Madam, you have been pleaſed to expreſs for the Preſervation of our Religion, the Laws and Liberties of our Country, your bidding us depend that all theſe were as dear to Your Majeſty as they could be to any Perſon whatever, and that no Pains and Diligence ſhould ever be wanting on your part to preſerve and ſupport them, to maintain the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line, and the Government in Church and State as by Law eſtabliſhed.

We ſay, theſe benign Expreſſions, together with that gracious Aſſurance you gave to both Houſes of Parliament, That Your Majeſty's Heart was entirely Engliſh; *that you would moſt readily do every thing during your Reign that your Subjects could expect or deſire for the Happineſs and Proſperity of* England; *are Marks indeed of the higheſt Goodneſs and Bounty in Your Majeſty, and ſuch as muſt create in the Hearts of all your Subjects (particularly this your Corporation) the greateſt Gratitude, Loyalty, and Affection, that Words can expreſs, or Imagination comprehend.*

And we do here with all Duty and Sincerity aſſure Your Majeſty, That we will from time to time chooſe ſuch Repreſentatives for this your Borough, as ſhall zealouſly endeavour in Parliament to enable Your Majeſty to maintain the Alliances that already are, or ſhall be entred into, for the reducing the Exorbitant Power of France; *and effectually Diſcountenance all ſuch as ſhall attempt by Seditious Practices, or Falſe Pretences, to interrupt the Glorious Purpoſes formed in your Sacred Mind for the Welfare and Felicity of all your Subjects.*

The following Addreſs of the Lords Juſtices of *Ireland* being tranſmitted to the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Manchester*, one of Her Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, was preſented to Her Majeſty by his Lordſhip.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Lords Juſtices and Council of *Ireland*.

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Lords Juſtices and Council of Your Majeſty's Kingdom of* Ireland, *being ſenſibly afflicted with the Loſs of our late Glorious Monarch* William *the Third, who, under God, was the great Inſtrument in delivering us from Popery and Slavery, and in preſerving our Liberty, and the Liberty of* Europe, *humbly crave Leave to Condole the ſame with Expreſſions of utmoſt Grief and Affliction ſuitable to ſo ſad an Occaſion.*

And ſince Your Majeſty's happy and peaceable Acceſſion to the Throne of Your Royal Anceſtors hath diſappointed the Deſigns of Your Enemies, and thereby diſſipated the Fears of Your Majeſties Subjects, and united their Affections in Your Majeſty's Service; We moſt humbly pray Your Majeſty to give us Leave to Congratulate Your Majeſty's Lawful and Rightful Succeſſion to the Imperial Crown of theſe Kingdoms, and to give Your Majeſty our moſt humble and hearty Thanks for the Expreſſions of Your great Wiſdom and Goodneſs in the Gracious Declarations Your Majeſty hath been pleaſed to make, to Support the Government in Church and State as by Law eſtabliſhed.

And as we do hereby give Your Majeſty our utmoſt Aſſurances of our Zeal and Fidelity to Your Sacred Perſon and Government, ſo we do ſolemnly promiſe to adhere to and ſupport Your Majeſty's Perſon, Crown, and Dignity, to the utmoſt of our Power, againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies whatſoever.*

The following Addreſs from the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter* was preſented to Her Majeſty by his Grace the Duke of Ormond, High Steward of *Weſtminſter*.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bayliff, Burgeſſes, Aſſiſtants, Headboroughs, and other Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, and the Liberty of St. *Martins le Grand, London*.

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, do humbly beg leave to Condole with Your Majeſty the Death of our late Renowned Sovereign, at a time when his Life was ſo neceſſary for carrying on thoſe Affairs, wherein he was engaged for ſupporting and ſecuring the Liberty and Safety of* Europe; *which Loſs nothing can counterpoiſe but the Happineſs of his being immediately ſucceeded by Your Majeſty, who only are able to carry on and bring the ſame, by God Almighty's Bleſſing, to a Succeſsful End, which we moſt heartily Congratulate,*

We want Words to expreſs, and much more Power to make, ſuitable Returns for the unparallel'd Goodneſs and Kindneſs of Your Majeſty, in giving us your Royal Word, which cannot fail, That you will do all that can be deſired for the Proſperity of our Country, Preſervation of our Religion, and Happineſs of us and all your Subjects.

And we humbly preſume to aſſure Your Majeſty, That we will always, to the utmoſt of our Power, aſſiſt and defend Your Majeſty and your Government againſt the Power of France, *the pretended Prince of* Wales, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies, and endeavour to maintain the Succeſſion of the Crown in the Proteſtant Line, according to the ſeveral Acts of Parliament, and pray for Your Majeſty's long and proſperous Reign over us.*

The following Addreſs from the County of *Cambridge* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Grinado Biggott* Eſq; introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Bedford*, Lord Lieutenant of the ſaid County.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Juſtices of the Peace, Gentlemen of the Grand Jury, and Clergy, and other Gentlemen and Freeholders of the County of Cambridge, met and aſſembled at the Aſſizes holden at the Caſtle of Cambridge, *for the ſaid County, the 16th day of* March, Anno Dom. 1701. *and in the Firſt Year of Her Majeſty's Reign.*

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WHen *we Condole the great Loſs of His moſt gracious Majeſty King* William *the Third, we cannot but at the ſame time acknowledge God's great Mercies to this Nation, and alſo humbly Congratulate Your Majeſty's Rightful and Lawful Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors, in which we do with entire Satisfaction and great Joy Contemplate the Happineſs of theſe Kingdoms now devolved to the auſpicious Conduct of Your Majeſty, whoſe Wiſdom and Juſtice have been a long time perſpicuous, and now in a moſt particular manner made manifeſt to the World by Your Majeſty's late Gracious Declaration, for which we humbly crave Leave to return Your Majeſty the unfeigned Thanks of true* Engliſh *Hearts; and to aſſure Your Majeſty, That upon all Occaſions we will Sacrifice our Lives, and all that's good and dear to us, in the Defence of Your Majeſty's juſt Title to the Crown, againſt all your Enemies and Oppoſers whatſoever; and never ceaſe to pray, That you may live to enjoy a long and happy Reign over us.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Banbury* was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Hon. *Charles North* Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Abingdon*.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE *the Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, Capital Burgeſſes, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of* Banbury, *crave Leave with all Humility to proſtrate our ſelves at the Feet of Your moſt Sacred Majeſty, and that we may be admitted with the reſt of Your moſt dutiful and faithful Subjects to Congratulate your happy Acceſſion to the Throne of Your Royal Anceſtors.*

'Tis impoſſible for us to expreſs the Joy our Hearts conceived at the Sight of Your Majeſty's Gracious Declaration, which gave us an immediate Proſpect that under Your Auſpicious Reign we ſhall ſee all Abuſes in the State Corrected, Vice Puniſhed, and Virtue Countenanced and Rewarded; all which, and much more, we promiſe to our ſelves from Your Majeſty's known Piety, from Your Education in the Church of England *as by Law Eſtabliſhed, and from the Affection You bear to Your Native Country. And we ſhall ſend up our*

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constant Prayers to Almighty God, that he would bless your Councils at home, and Armies abroad; That the Crown may long flourish upon your Head, and that Heaven of its goodness may give to Your Majesty Issue of your own; who may inherit these Your Kingdoms, in the Rightful and Lawful Title and Possession whereof, we shall to the utmost of our Power, with all our Estates, and to the last drop of our Blood, defend Your Sacred Person and Government against the pretended Prince of Wales, and all Your Enemies whatsoever.

The following Address from the Borough of *Honiton* was presented to Her Majesty by Sir *William Drake* Kt. & Bar. and Sir *Walter Yonge* Bar. their Representatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Portreeve, Burghers, and other the Inhabitants of the Borough and Parish of *Honiton*, in the County of *Devon*.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE extreamly Condole for the Loss of our late Gracious King, (of blessed Memory) yet since Providence hath so amply Supplied us in the Succession of Your Majesty, we thankfully accept you as a Blessing from Heaven, and do hereby heartily Congratulate Your Majesty's most happy Accession to the Crown.

The Early Apprehensions which we entertained of Your Majesty's most auspicious Reign, made us not only forward to acknowlege, but earnestly to Covet, the Just and rightful Sovereignty of Your Majesty over us, and is the reason we intercepted Your late Proclamation on the Road, that we might have the sooner Opportunity to make a publick Recognition of Your Majesty's most undoubted Title to the Government of these Realms.

But such were the Gracious Expressions of Your Majesty's great Care and Kindness for your People in your late Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament at your first Accession of the Throne, and so great was the Tenderness and Concern which Your Majesty was pleased to shew therein for our Religion and Liberties, that you have already Enthroned your Self in our Hearts and Affections, and have obliged us to a Gratitude so far beyond our Powers, as Your Majesty's great Goodness and Condescention hath been transcendent to us herein.

Permit us therefore (Great Princess) by this our humble Address, to make a Tender to Your most Excellent Majesty of our Selves and Duties, and to assure Your Majesty, That we will alwaies hereafter in our several Stations, and according to our utmost Abilities, Stand by and Defend Your most Sacred Person and Government, against all the Enemies and Opposers thereof, or Pretenders thereunto, either at home or abroad.

Nor shall our Adaresses be wanting to the King of Heaven, as well for the Success of Your Majesty's Arms both by Sea and Land, against the Common Enemy; as also, That Your Majesty may be alwaies in a Condition to hold the Ballance of Europe for the Common Safety of Your Self and your Allies; and finally, That God will bless Your Majesty with a long and happy Reign over us; shall be the constant Prayers of Your Majesty's most Loyal, most Faithful, and most Dutiful Subjects.

The following Address from the City of *Hereford* was presented to Her Majesty, by the Rt. Hon. the Lord *Coningsby* their High Steward, and *Thomas Foley* and the Hon. *James Brydges* Esqs; their Representatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, of the City of *Hereford*, in Common-Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

THE unspeakable Loss of Your Majesty's Great Predecessor was so Surprising to us, That nothing but the Remembrance of Your Own Rightful Accession to the Crown could alleviate our Grief; And this made us upon the sad Assurance of his Demise, immediately, with all Affection, Proclaim Your Majesty Queen of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, &c. And when after your Writ came for the doing of the same, we, as in duty bound, repeated that Action, Your Majesty's first Declaration in Council, and Speech from the Throne to your People, hath now filled our Hearts with Joy, to see Your Majesty so graciously Concerned for us by your promised defence of the Religion, Laws, and Liberties of England, This requires and commands, not only our Acknowledgment of all Faith, and Constant Obedience to Your Majesty, but a Performance of it with all true, sincere, and humble Affection.

What more could we have asked Your Majesty to Answer, or Assure us of, than what You have already freely promised Your People? Go on therefore most Gracious Sovereign, with the Advice of Your Great Councils, to joyn with Your Allies to reduce the present aspiring Power of France, now grown dangerous to Your Kingdoms, and Subjects. And may Almighty God so far prosper You, to debilitate, and pull down in this Age, the French usurping Monarchy, as low, as Your Predecessor Queen Elizabeth, in a former Age did the then Spanish designed Universal Monarchy; which she so far reduced, that it never since, to this day, could rise up to endanger the least Island belonging to the English Crown. And that Your Majesty's Name may thereby be as Renowned to future Ages, as that Queen's hath been famed ever since, is the Prayer and Hopes of us, your most Loyal Subjects; who do hereby faithfully assure Your Majesty, That we will stand by You, to assist You with our Lives and Fortunes, against the pretended Prince of Wales, and all other Your Majesty's Enemies whatsoever. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Common Seal the 16th day of March, in the first Year of Your Majesty's Reign. Annoq; Dom. 1701.

The following Address from the City of *Wells* was presented to Her Majesty by *Henry Portman* Esq; and Serjeant *Coward*, Recorder of the said City, their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Ormond*.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Masters, and Burgesses, of the City and Borough of *Wells* in the County of *Somerset*.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

OUR Duties obliges us in this Juncture to Condole with Your Majesty upon the Death of our late Sovereign King William, which would have been a Loss irreparable to these Kingdoms, had we not the opportunity (by the Goodness of Divine Providence) to Congratulate Your Sacred Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne, which is a most Transcendent Blessing to all Your Majesty's most Loyal Subjects, and particularly to our inexpressible Joy and Satisfaction; especially when we consider, that from Your Majesty's Goodness, Prudence, and Auspicious Reign over us, we shall not only have the State and Civil Government of these Kingdoms protected and defended, but shall have our Religion the Church of England (as by Law Established) which hath always been the Glory and Honour of this Nation) by Your Majesty's Pious and Religious Care countenanced and supported. We farther humbly implore Your Majesty to believe and be assured, That, to the utmost of our Powers, we shall always maintain and defend Your Majesty's Just and Lawful Right and Title to the Imperial Crown of these Kingdoms, and the Succession as by Law is settled, against all Your Majesty's publick and secret Enemies; and shall entirely acquiesce in, and concur with, all such Alliances and Treaties as Your Majesty shall think fit to make for Your People, in the Defence of our Peace and Religion, and the Trade of our Country, for the Reducing the Exorbitant Power of France, and the securing the Tranquillity of Europe; and that Your Sacred Majesty may therein be ever prosperous and successful, shall be our constant Prayers: To which we have affixed the Common Seal of our Corporation, at our Guildhall, this 20th day of March, 1701.

The following Address from the County of *Kent* was presented to Her Majesty by Sir *Thomas Hales* Bar. and *William Campion* Esq; their Representatives Parliament, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Romney*, Lord Lieutenant of the said County.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble and unanimous Address of the High Sheriff, the Grand Jury, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and other Gentlemen and Freeholders present at the Assises holden at *Maidstone*, for the County of *Kent*, upon the Sixteenth Day of *March*, 1701.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

THE Extream Affliction we justly lie under for the Loss of so Great and Glorious a King, as His late Majesty of Blessed Memory, would be insupportable to us, was it not for the Joy and Comfort we receive by Your Majesty's Happy Accession to the Throne.

That true Concern Your Majesty has been so Graciously pleased to express for our Religion, Laws, and Liberty, the Maintaining the Succession to the Crown in the Protestant Line, the Government in Church and State as by Law established, and your Generous Opinion, That too much cannot be done for Encouragement of your Allies, to Reduce the Exorbitant Power of France, gives us such full Assurance of future Happiness under Your Majesty's Auspicious Reign, That we should account our selves the most ungrateful of Subjects, should we omit this Opportunity of returning our most Dutiful Acknowledgment for such Your Majesty's great Care and Concern, not only for your own People, but the general Good of Europe.

Therefore we humbly take Leave, upon this occasion, with all Sincerity to assure Your Majesty, That we shall always, to the utmost of our Power, Support and Defend Your Majesty's Royal Person and Government, against all Opposers of your Rightful and Lawful Title to the Imperial Crown of these Realms, and against all your Enemies whatsoever, both at home and abroad. And we shall ever pray for Your Majesty's Long and Prosperous Reign over us.

The following Address from the Borough of *Andover* was presented to Her Majesty by the Rt. Hon. *John Smith* and *Francis Shepherd* Esqs; their Representatives in Parliament, and *Roger Mompesson* Esq; their Steward.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Bayliff, Steward, Approved Men and Burgesses, of Your Majesty's ancient Corporation of *Andover*, in the County of *Southampton*.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, crave leave, with all Humility, to express our great Sorrow and Concern for the Death of our late Sovereign King William, of glorious memory, who (under God) was our Deliverer from Popery and Slavery.

Nothing but Your Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne of these Kingdoms could moderate our Sorrow for so Great a Loss.

Give us leave therefore, most Gracious Sovereign, to Congratulate Your Majesty, and to assure You of our most chearful and ready Obedience, and that we will, to the utmost of our Power, support and defend Your Majesty's most Rightful and Undoubted Title, against the pretended Prince of Wales, his Adherents and Abettors, and all other Your Majesty's Enemies whatsoever.

The following Address from the Borough of *Hertford* was presented to Her Majesty by *Charles Cæsar* and *Richard Gulston* Esqs; their Representatives in Parliament, the Hon. *Robert Bartue* Esq; their Recorder, and Sir *Edward Turner* Bar.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Town-Clerk, Assistants, Freemen, and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Hertford*, in the County of *Hertford*, the Twentieth Day of *March*, in the First Year of Your Majesty's Reign, 1701.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's most Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Town-Clerk, Assistants, Freemen, and Inhabitants of your ancient Borough of Hertford, having a due Sense of the great Loss we have Sustain'd by the Death of his late Majesty King William, do with joyful Hearts Congratulate your Happy Accession to the Throne, and esteem it a peculiar Blessing, That you who entirely love your English Subjects should be preserved by Heaven to Reign over them. The constant Zeal you have ever shewn for our Establishment both in Church and State, and your most Gracious Promise so lately made from the Throne, give us a Firm Assurance, that while we are Obedient Subjects, we shall receive the Glorious Reward of Your Majesty's Favour and Protection: And therefore, in return, we humbly beg Leave to assure Your Majesty, we will, to the utmost of our Power, Assist and Defend Your Sacred Person and Government, against the Malicious Attempts of your open and secret Enemies, whether at home or abroad; and that you may be blessed with a Long and Prosperous Reign over us, as, and shall be the constant Prayer of Your Majesty's most Dutiful, Faithful, and Loyal Subjects.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Devizes* was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Francis Child*, and the Right Honourable *John Methwen* Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Chief Burgeſſes, and Free Burgeſſes, of the Borough of the *Devizes* in the County of *Wilts*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE *humbly crave leave (under the deepeſt Senſe of our Loſs) to Condole with Your Majeſty upon the Death of our late King* William:

And likewiſe to Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Crown of this Realm, whoſe Reign over us, as well from the Tender and Prince-like Declarations of Affection already made to Your People, as from Your many other Royal Qualifications, we promiſe our ſelves will be exceedingly proſperous.

And that nothing may be wanting on our Parts to compleat Your Majeſty's and Your Pople's mutual Safety, Honour and Happineſs, we do, with the greateſt Duty and Loyalty, aſſure Your Majeſty, That we will, upon all Occaſions, venture all that is dear to us in the Defence and Support of Your Majeſty's Royal Perſon and Goverment, not only againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *but alſo againſt all other your Enemies whatſoever.*

The following Addreſs from the Town of *Bedford* was ſent to their Repreſentatives in Parliament, ordering them to preſent it to Her Majeſty, which they did accordingly, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Chamberlain.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, Bayliffs, Common Council, Burgeſſes, and Freemen of Your Majeſty's Coporation and Town of *Bedford*; and of the Juſtices of the Peace, Clergy, Gentlemen, and other Inhabitants of the ſame Town.

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects humbly Condole with Your Majeſty the Death of our late Gracious King, of whoſe Loſs, though duely ſenſible, yet did a boundleſs Joy poſſeſs our Souls, on Your Majeſty's Happy Acceſſion to the Sovereignty, which we unfeignedly Congratulate, eſteeming it a Bleſſing of the greateſt Value to ſee Your Majeſty, a moſt Gracious Princeſs, whoſe Heart is entirely* Engliſh, *fill the* Engliſh *Throne.*

The Happineſs of this Nation, and it's Renown abroad, in the Reign of your Famous Predeceſſor Queen Elizabeth, *are now by every one ſpoken of afreſh, and that with Pleaſure, a Return of all thoſe Glorious Days being in full View; Nothing leſs can be the Effects of Your Majeſty's Royal Virtues, Illuſtrious Piety, Known Zeal for the Church of* England, *as by Law Eſtabliſhed, and Gracious Readineſs to Promote the true Intereſt of your own People; Your late Aſſurances whereof have enflam'd their Hearts with moſt Dutiful Affection for your Sacred Perſon and Government, in Defence whereof we will Hazard our Lives, an whatever elſe is dear to us, againſt the Pretended Prince of* Wales, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies both abroad and home, if at home ſo Gracious a Queen can have any.*

We conclude, aſſuring Your Majeſty, That our Prayers and Vows ſhall be made for your Long Life, and Happy Reign over us, the Health and Proſperity of his Royal Highneſs Prince George *of* Denmark, *and that your Royal Progeny may bleſs our late Poſterity.*

The following Addreſs was preſented to Her Majeſty by Dr. *Oxenden*, and the reſt of the Society of *Doctors-Commons*, introduced by the Rt. Hon. Sir *Charles Hedges*.

May it pleaſe Your moſt Excellent Majeſty,

WE *the Judges, Doctors, and others, profeſſing the Civil and Eccleſiaſtical Laws, and Laws of Nations within Your Majeſty's Dominions, do humbly beg Leave to expreſs our Sorrow for the unſpeakable Loſs we have ſuſtained by the Death of our late Sovereign of glorious Memory.*

Nothing could allay this our Sorrow, but the Joy and Satisfaction we receive from Your Majeſty's moſt happy Acceſſion to the Throne; which we do moſt heartily Congratulate.

We crave Leave to aſſure Your Majeſty of our intire Fidelity and firm Allegiance as becomes dutiful and loyal Subjects, humbly beſeeching Your Majeſty's Gracious Favour, and Royal Countenance, to our Profeſſion.

We hearty pray for Your Majeſty's long and happy Reign over us, and that Your Majeſty may, by the Bleſſing of Almighty God, compleat the Happineſs of the Church and State, by tranſmitting the Crown of theſe Realms to be enjoy'd by Poſterity of Your own.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Steyning* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Charles Goring* Eſq; one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament,

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The Humble Addreſs of Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal and Ancient Borough of *Steyning*, in the County of *Suſſex*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

NOthing but *Your Majeſty's Acceſſion to the Throne could have moderated our Grief, for the unſpeakable Loſs (both to* Europe *in General, and* England *in Particular) of his late Majeſty of Glorious Memory. For, as the Bleſſings we received from him are too great ever to be forgotten, either by us or our Poſterity; ſo we doubt not the Continuance of them under Your Majeſty's happy Reign over us, which we Pray God long to continue. And from this Occaſion we humbly beg Leave to return our unfeigned Thanks to Your Majeſty, among the reſt of Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, for Your moſt Gracious Speech from the Throne to both Your Houſes of Parliament, eſpecially for that part, wherein You was pleas'd to aſſure them of Your Heart being entirely Engliſh. We aſſure Your Majeſty, that we will Pay You our conſtant Allegiance, not only by our Oaths to Your Government, but by that which will be of more Service to Your Majeſty, and Your Kingdoms,* viz, *The venturing our Lives and Fortunes in Your Majeſty's Defence, againſt all your Enemies both at home and abroad, and ſending ſuch Repreſentatives to Parliament as have Hearts full of Zeal and Affection for Your Majeſty's Perſon and Government.*

That Your Majeſty may have a Long and Proſperous Reign over us, That You may hold the Ballance of Europe *ſteddy, and defend the Church of* England, *as by Law Eſtabliſhed, are the hearty Prayers of Your Majeſty's Moſt Dutiful Subjects.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Horſham* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Harry Goring* Eſq;

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The Humble Addreſs of the Bailiffs, Burgeſſes, Gentlemen, and other Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's Ancient Borough of *Horſham* in the County of *Suſſex*.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

AMongſt *the many gracious Acts of Providence to theſe Kingdoms, there is none we think more Legible and Endearing, than that of Your Majeſty's quiet and happy Acceſſion to the Throne of Your Anceſtors: For though Heaven ſeem'd to frown upon us in that fatal Stroke on the Life of our late Gracious Soveraign of Glorious Memory; yet when we find that after him ariſes a Princeſs of known Zeal for our Eſtabliſh'd Religion, of try'd Affection to our Laws and Liberties, and of juſt Eſteem amongſt all Princes and States abroad that have the Honour of Her Alliance, we cannot but think the Blow is over, and that God deſigns us to be a happy People, if we will but endeavour to follow Your Majeſty's Example in a Religious Devotion to him; and the Example of our Forefathers, the True Old* Engliſhmen, *in Loyalty and Obedience to their Sovereigns, which we here publickly and ſolemnly Avow to do, as becomes* Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects and Servants.

The following Addreſs from the Corporation of *Nottingham* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *William Pierrepoint* and *Robert Sacheverell* Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, being Introduced by His Grace the Duke of *New-Caſtle* Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Nottingham*.

To the moſt Serene and mighty Princeſs Anne, *by the Grace of God, of* England, Scotland, France, *and* Ireland, *Queen, Defender of the Faith,* &c.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common-Council, of Your Majeſty's Ancient Corporation of *Nottingham*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

THE *mournful News of the Death of our late Sovereign King* William *(of Glorious Memory) moſt ſenſibly afflicted us; And we, together with the reſt of your Loyal Subjects, Condole ſo great a Loſs: But Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne (which we ſincerely congratulate) and the great concern Your Majeſty has declared for the Religion, Laws, and Liberties of your Country, has turn'd our Mourning into Joy.*

We beg Leave to aſſure Your Majeſty, That on all Occaſions we will, to the utmoſt, ſhew our Zeal for Your Royal Perſon, and Readineſs to Support Your Majeſty in all your Alliances, and preſerve the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line as by Law Eſtabliſhed, againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies. Dated under our Common Seal this 23d day of* March, *In the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign, whom God long preſerve.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Lyme Regis* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *John Burridge* and *Joſeph Paice* Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Bolton*.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Capital Burgeſſes, Freemen, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Lyme Regis*, in the County of *Dorſet*.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

THE *great Loſs that not only this Nation but all the Proteſtant Churches, have received by the Death of His late Majeſty of bleſſed Memory, would overwhelm us with Sorrow, were not our Hearts exceedingly revived by the Conſideration of that good Providence which hath preſerved Your Majeſty to ſucceed in the Government of theſe Kingdoms, unaer whoſe auſpicious Reign we promiſe our ſelves all the Happineſs which we may hope for from a Great and Gracious Princeſs.*

We therefore humbly crave Leave to Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne, and to render our humble Thanks for your moſt Gracious Declaration: And we do give Your Majeſty the greateſt Aſſurance we are able of our hearty and conſtant Loyalty and Obedience; and tear we will, to the utmoſt of our Power, preſerve Your Majeſty's Sacred Perſon and Government againſt all your Enemies whatſoever, and, as in Duty bound, always pray for Your Majeſty's long and proſperous Reign over us.

The following Addreſs from the Univerſity of *Cambridge* was preſented to Her Majeſty by his Grace the Duke of *Somerſet* Chancellor, the Archbiſhop, and ſeveral other Biſhops, with the greateſt number of the Heads, Scholars, and many other Clergy and Gentlemen of the ſaid Univerſity.

May it pleaſe Your Moſt Sacred Majeſty,

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Chancellor, Maſters, and Scholars, of Your Univerſity of* Cambridge, *who were deeply afflicted at the Death of our late Sovereign King* William, *of moſt Glorious Memory, humbly beg Leave to expreſs our hearty Sorrow on that ſad Occaſion; and at the ſame time with unfeigned Duty and Affection to Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your Royal Anceſtors; by which alone ſo great a Loſs could be, and is effectually repair'd.*

The firſt Act of Your Auſpicious Reign, Your Majeſty's Gracious Declaration, as it gives new Life to your Allies abroad, who could not but be very ſenſibly affected at His Death, by whoſe vigorous Influence the whole Body of them moved; ſo it hath raiſed in Your People a pleaſing Hope, That the Glory of reducing Exorbitant Power is again reſerved for an Engliſh *Queen, and deſign'd to be the great Bleſſing of Your Majeſty's Illuſtrious and happy Reign.*

Your Majeſty's early Education in the Church of England, *and conſtant Adherence to it, give us a Joyful Aſſurance, That This Church, and Your Two Univerſities, the great Seminaries of True Religion and Loyalty, will flouriſh under Your Majeſty's peculiar Favour and Protection.*

We therefore with moſt Affectionate and Loyal Hearts faithfully Engage, That in our Station and Capacity we will maintain, as we are in ſtricteſt Duty bound, Your Majeſty's moſt undoubted Right to the Imperial Crown of this Realm, againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *and Your peaceable Enjoyment of it againſt all Oppoſers.*

We humbly beſeech Almighty God to prolong Your Majeſty's happy Reign, and to proſper Your Councels and Arms; that by them the Eſtabliſh'd Government in Church and State may be ſecured, the Proteſtant Intereſt advanced, and the Civil Rights of Europe *ſupported and preſerved.*

To which Addreſs Her Majeſty was moſt graciouſly pleaſed to anſwer,

I Thank you very kindly for your good Addreſs; And ſhall always take Care of the Church of England, *and in particular of your Univerſity.*

The following Addreſs from the City of *Cheſter* was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Henry Bunbury* Bar. and *Peter Shackerly* Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by his Excellency the Earl of *Rocheſter* Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, of the City of *Cheſter*, in Common-Council aſſembled.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

THE *firſt Intimations of our deplorable Loſs by the Deceaſe of our late Sovereign Lord, King* William *the Third, of Glorious Memory, directed our Duty and Allegiance to your Moſt Sacred Majeſty, whom we have moſt heartily Proclaimed, and do moſt ſincerely Acknowledge the only Lawful and Rightful Queen of theſe Realms.*

And we beg Leave with all hearty and humble Affection to aſſure Your Majeſty of our firm and inviolable Faith and Obedience to Your Majeſty againſt all your Enemies whatſoever; beſeeching Almighty God (who hath inſpired Your Majeſty with a Pious Zeal and Princely Concern for the Eſtabliſhed Religion and Laws of this Kingdom) to grant Your Majeſty a long and proſperous Reign over us

In Teſtimony whereof, we have hereunto affixed the Common Seal of the ſaid City the Twentieth Day of March, *in the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Woodſtock*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Honourable *James Bertie* Eſq; and Sir *Tho. Littleton* Bar. their Repreſentatives in Parliament, and *Henry Beeſton* Eſq; Deputy Recorder of the ſaid Borough, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Abingdon*.

The Humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of Your Majeſty's Borough of New Woodſtock *in the County of* Oxon.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

THE *Death of our late Glorious Sovereign King* William *(to whom we owe the Preſervation of our Religion and Liberties) ſuch a ſurpriſing Loſs to theſe Nations, that might juſtifie the greateſt Tranſports of our Grief, and requires all that moſt grateful Subjects can poſſibly pay to the Memory of the beſt and moſt renowned of Princes.*

Nothing could have ſupported us under ſo general a Misfortune, but the entire Dependance and Satisfaction all Your Subjects have in Your Majeſty's Succeſſion; eſpecially when we ſee our higheſt Expectations ſo fully anſwered, by your ſo vigorouſly and readily applying Your ſelf to the preſent Exigency of our Affairs, and giving ſo early Aſſurances of Your Zeal for the Common Welfare of Europe, *as well as Your own People.*

We humbly beg Leave therefore to join with the univerſal Conſent and Voice of Your Subjects, in Congratulating Your Majeſty's Acceſſion to theſe Crowns, and to make a hearty tender of our Duty, Loyalty, and utmoſt Aſſiſtance againſt all Your Enemies whatſoever.

In Teſtimony whereof, we Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, have hereunto ſet our Hands, and cauſed our Common Seal to be affixed, the 24th day of *March*, in the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign.

The following Addreſs from the Town of *Dover* was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Bazill Dixwell*, Bar. Lieutenant of Her Majeſty's Caſtle of *Dover*, together with *Matthew Aylmer* and *Philip Papillion*, Eſqs. their Repreſentatives in Parliament; The Addreſs from the Town of *New Romney* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *John Brewer* and *Edward Gulſton*, Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; The Addreſſes from the Towns of *Deal* and *Lydd*, were preſented to Her Majeſty by *John Brewer*, Eſq; their Recorder; And the Addreſs from the Town of *Hyeth*, was preſented by Sir *Philip Boteler* and *John Boteler*, Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; being all introduced by the Earl of *Rumney*, Lord *Warden* of the Cinque Ports.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The Humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, Common-Council, Gentlemen, Freemen and Inhabitants of the Town and Port of *Dover*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

THough *our Hearts were full of Grief for the ſurpriſing Loſs of our late Great and Glorious King* William *the Third, through a juſt and grateful Senſe of thoſe Mighty Things he did for the Reſcue and Preſervation of our Religion, Liberties and Properties; yet ſince it hath pleaſed God to leave us Your Sacred Majeſty, to be our Queen on the Throne of theſe Kingdoms, for the continued Support of all thoſe Bleſſings, ſo dear to Engliſh Men. We Return God Almighty Thanks for the Proſpect of Happineſs we are like to Enjoy under ſo Auſpicious a Reign, and Congratulate Your Majeſty's Succeſſion to the Crown of theſe Kingdoms, aſſuring Your Majeſty, we will at all Times with Fidelity and Affection, be ready to the utmoſt of our Power, to Defend and Maintain Your Majeſty's juſt and lawful Title to the ſame, againſt the Pretended Prince of* Wales, *the Exorbitant Power of* France, *and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies both at home and abroad.*

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty, of the Town and Port of *New-Romney* (one of the Cinque-Ports) in the County of *Kent*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

IF *we ſhould not deeply be affected with the Loſs of ſo Great a King as our late Sovereign, we ſhould be guilty of the greateſt Ingratitude; and if our Sorrow were without Hope, it would be very unſuitable to that unſpeakable Joy and Comfort we have in Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne, and to that Zeal and Loyalty we ſincerely profeſs and owe to ſo Great and Good a Queen as Your Majeſty, who already hath confirmed us in thoſe Hopes by your Juſt and Prudent Adminiſtration, which before we had rightly conceived from Your Majeſty's known Piety, Wiſdom, and Juſtice.*

And we cannot wiſh for more, except that alone which Your Majeſty hath abundantly aſſured us of, Your Heart is entirely Engliſh.

And we reſt aſſured, That all theſe Your Royal and Excellent Endowments will be applied for the Good of England, *and your Allies, that the Exorbitant Power of the* French *King may be reduced to ſuch a Ballance as may conſiſt with the Publick Peace and Liberties of* Europe.

And may Your Majeſty be as great a Scourge to France, *as your Royal Female Predeceſſor Queen* Elizabeth, *of Bleſſed Memory, was to* Spain, *and like Her's may your Reign be long and proſperous, to the Overthrow of all your Enemies, the pretended Prince of* Wales, *and all other Pretenders whatſoever, who would diſturb Your Majeſty's happy Government.*

Given under our Common Seal at the Town and Port aforeſaid, the 25th *day of* March, *in the Firſt year of Your Majeſty's Reign, Anno Domini* 1702.

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty, of the Town and Borough of *Deal* in the County of *Kent*.

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, with all Submiſſion crave Leave to acknowledge to Your Majeſty, That the Great Loſs of our late Sovereign, King* William *the Third, of Glorious and Bleſſed Memory, would have been inſupportable to us, had not your Majeſty happily ſucceeded him in your Rightful Throne.*

We cannot but return Your Majeſty our moſt dutiful Thanks for Your Majeſty's Royal Declaration in Council, and moſt Gracious Speeches to both Houſes of Parliament, which are not only the greateſt Support and Encouragement to all Your Majeſty's good Subjects, but a Security to your Allies engaged in the Common Cauſe for the Liberty of Europe, *and the pulling down the Exorbitant Power of* France.

An it is with the greateſt Satisfaction we obſerve Your Majeſty's tender Concern to maintain the Laws and Liberties of England, *the Succeſſion of the Crown in the Proteſtant Line, and the Government in Church and State as by Law Eſtabliſhed.*

And we humbly aſſure Your Majeſty, That as we have a juſt Sence of all theſe Bleſſings we enjoy under Your Majeſty, we will (as in Duty bound) to the utmoſt of our Power, Support and Defend Your Majeſty's Sacred Perſon and Government againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *and all Your Majeſty's Enemies whatſoever. In Teſtimony whereof, we have cauſed the Common Seal of this Corporation to be hereunto affixed the 23d day of* March, *in the 1ſt Year of our ſaid Sovereign Lady* Anne, *by the Grace of God, Queen of* England, Scotland, France, *and* Ireland, *Defender of the Faith, &c.*

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The Humble Addreſs of the Bailiff, Jurats and Commonalty of the Town and Corporion of *Lydd*, in the County of *Kent*.

Moſt Dread Sovereign.

HAving *a due Sence of the great and ſucceſsful Undertakings of our late King, to deliver us from the imminet Dangers, lately threatning us in our Religion, Rights and Liberties. We think our ſelves bound to retain a greatful Memory, and Condole the Loſs of ſo Great a King.*

But ſince we now behold with Joy, what before we conceived in Hope: Your Majeſty's great and tender Concern for theſe Kingdoms, both in Church and State, as by Law Eſtabliſhed, with a due Regard to your Allies, in a juſt Expectation of reducing the Exorbitant Power of France. *We humbly take Leave upon this Occaſion, with Hearts full fraught with Loyalty and Zeal, to Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors, where that you may long Sit with Honour and Safety, for the Comfort and Benefit of your Good Subjects, the Encouragement of your Allies, and Confuſion of your Enemies, ſhall ever be the utmoſt Endeavours, and ſincereſt Wiſhes of your moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects.*

Dated under the Common Seal of the ſaid Corporation, this Three and Twentieth Day of March, in the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty, and other Inhabitants, of the Town and Port of *Hythe* (one of Your Majeſty's Cinque-Ports) in the County of *Kent*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, being deeply ſenſible of the great Loſs theſe Kingdoms have ſuſtained by the Death of King* William *the Third, of Bleſſed Memory, crave leave to Condole with Your Majeſty upon this ſad Occaſion.*

We do moſt heartily Congratulate Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne, your undoubted Right, and humbly crave leave to aſſure Your Majeſty, That we will, to the utmoſt, defend both that and your Royal Perſon, againſt all your Enemies either at home or abroad; being aſſured, That Your Majeſty will protect and defend us in our Religion and Liberties as by Law Eſtabliſhed, and aſſiſt your Allies againſt the Exorbitant Power of France, *as heartily and effectually as your Predeceſſor would have done.*

And that Your Majeſty may enjoy a long and proſperous Reign over us, are the moſt hearty Prayers of your Loyal and Dutiful Subjects.

Hythe, March 25. 1702.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Warwick* was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Hon. *Francis Grevill* Eſq; one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgeſſes of the Borough of *Warwick*.

May it pleaſe Your Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

OUR *Grief, as our Loſs, had been inexpreſſible in the Death of our late Gracious Sovereign* William *the Third, of ever Glorious Memory, had not Your Majeſty's immediate and quiet Acceſſion to the Throne diſpell'd our Fears, alleviated our Sorrows, and given us an aſſured Proſpect of the Continuance of a Wiſe, Impartial, and Gentle Government:*

We unfeignedly, and without Reſerve, Congratulate the ſame, with the Aſſurances of an Immutable Fidelity to your Sacred Perſon, Title, and Government, againſt the Pretended Prince of Wales, *his Abbettors, and all your Enemies whatſoever.*

'Tis in You, Madam, we hope, Heaven has decreed the Accompliſhment of Purpoſes worthy your Royal Self, the Maintaining the Conſtitution of England *in Church and State, the Enlarging the deplorably Contracted Borders of the Proteſtant Religion, and Liberties of* Europe, *the Supporting and Holding your Alliances Indiſſoluble, the Qualifying the Inſatiate Ambition, and Reducing the Exorbitant Power of* France, *which is ſtill zealouſly as ever Propagating the Poverty, Slavery, and Superſtition of her own Subjects, amongſt the Nations round about.*

As Providence heretofore raiſed an Engliſh *Heroine (the Darling of her People, and Terror of her Enemies) to diſſipate the Deſigns of an Univerſal Monarchy, ſo it ſeems at a like, but more emergent Juncture, to Advance Your Majeſty to the ſame Throne for the ſame Glorious Ends; That the World may be once again convinc'd of the Weakneſs and Injuſtice of a Salick Law, and all the Enemies of* England *envy the Happineſs of a Female Reign.*

Given under our Common Seal the Twenty ſixth Day of March, *in the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnes* was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Nathaniel Herne* and *Frederick Herne* Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Bailiffs, Burgeſſes, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardnes*, in *Devon*.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

THE *Loſs of our late Gracious Sovereign King* William, *could not but touch our Hearts with a very ſenſible Grief; and indeed might have prov'd an intolerable Calamity to us, were not Your Majeſty's Happy Acceſſion to the Throne a Bleſſing ſufficient for the Support and Comfort of all your good Subjects.*

As therefore we Condole the former, ſo we heartily Congrutulate the latter; offering up to Your Majeſty, at the ſame time, our unfeigned Aſſurances of a ſtedfaſt Faith and Allegiance, and of the utmoſt Aſſiſtance we are capable of againſt all your Enemies.

It was the Peculiar Honour and Felicity of a Great and a Wiſe Queen, one of Your Majeſty's Royal Predeceſſors, to break the Meaſures of an Aſpiring Monarch, to be the Common Safety and Protection of the Injured and Afflicted, and to Support and Defend the Reformed Religion againſt all the open Oppoſers, and ſecret Underminers of it. The preſent Conjuncture is ſomewhat of the ſame kind with that heretofore; And we will daily pray for the ſame, and even greater Succeſſes, That after You have long continued a Mighty Happineſs to your People, and to the whole World, the Name of Queen Anne *may be even more Glorious to all Poſterity than that of Queen* Elizabeth.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Harwich* was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Thomas Davall*, and *Dennis Lydell* Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Capital Burgeſſes, of your Borough of *Harwich* in the County of *Eſſex*.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WE *Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, being highly ſenſible of the unſpeakable Loſs that hath happened to this Nation in general by the Death of His Majeſty, our late Sovereign Lord King* William *the Third of moſt Renowned Memory; do in all humble manner beg leave to be admitted to Condole with Your Sacred Majeſty on this ſurprizing Occaſion, and to Congratulate, with all Expreſſions of Joy Your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of theſe Kingdoms; under whoſe Government we have great Aſſurance, That nothing will be wanting in Your Majeſty to contribute to make this Nation a flouriſhing and happy Kingdom, having given ſuch undeniable Teſtimonies of Your Majeſty's great Zeal for our Religion and Government as by Law Eſtabliſhed: And we do aſſure you of our ſincere and ſtedfaſt Faith and Allegiance to Your Majeſty, and, to the utmoſt of our Power, ſhall be always ready to aid and aſſiſt with our Lives and Fortunes in the Preſervation of your Sacred Perſon, State and Government, not only againſt the pretended Prince of* Wales, *and all his Adherents and Abettors, but againſt all other Attempts and Conſpiracies whatſoever; praying for Your Majeſty's long Life and happy Reign over us.*

The following Addreſs from the County of *Huntingdon* was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *John Conyers* Bar. and *William Naylour* Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament for the ſaid County.

To the Queen's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, the Grand Jury, Deputy Lieutenants, with the Juſtices of the Peace, Clergy, and other Freeholders, aſſembled together at the Aſſizes, held for Your Majeſty's County of *Huntingdon*, the 14th day of *March*, in the Firſt Year of Your Majeſty's Reign.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

NO ſooner were we (with the reſt of our fellow Subjects) almoſt o'erwhelm'd with Grief at the news of the amazing Loſs of our late Glorious Monarch, King William *the Third, of ever bleſſed Memory, but the Divine Providence was pleaſ'd to wipe all Tears from our Eyes, by placing Your Majeſty on the Throne; As we beg Leave (Dread Lady) to Condole the one, ſo do we heartily Congratulate the other.*

Your Majeſty's Gracious Declaration in Council, and Speech to both Houſes of Parliament, confirm us in a ſteady belief, That the Eſtabliſhed Church and Religion, our Laws and Liberties, ſhall flouriſh all under your Auſpicious Reign; and that not only England *ſhall proſper, and be happy, but the reſt of* Europe *alſo ſhare in the benign Effects and Influence of Your Majeſty's Government.*

We therefore in moſt humble manner do make a moſt ſincere Tender of that affectionate Duty which we owe to Your Sacred Majeſty, with this moſt hearty Aſſurance, That we are, and ſhall be, ready to Exert our utmoſt Power in defence of Your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *his Supporters and Adherents, and all other Your Majeſty's Enemies whatſoever.*

May Heaven preſerve Your precious Life, for the Good and Welfare of all Your Majeſty's Subjects; May Your Reign be Proſperous, and full of Glory, and may there never be wanting a Royal Iſſue of Your own to Sway the Engliſh *Scepter, when You ſhall be tranſlated from Your Earthly, to a Celeſtial Diadem.*

All which Addreſſes Her Majeſty received very graciouſly.

Francfort, March 29. *N.S.* The Five Circles of Auſtria, Swabia, Franconia, the Upper Rhine, and the Electoral Rhine, whoſe Deputies met lately at Nortlingen, have, with the Excluſion of the Circle of Bavaria, entred into an Aſſociation for their common Security; They have likewiſe reſolved to enter into the Grand Alliance between the Emperor, England and Holland, and to leave their Troops to be diſpoſed of as the Emperor ſhall judge moſt beneficial for the common Cauſe. The Letters from Vienna give an Account, that 16000 Men are on their march to reinforce the Imperial Army in Italy.

Cologne, March 31. They have begun to make a Bridge of Boats over the Rhine above Duſeldorp. The Prince of Naſſau Saarbruck, Marſhal de Camp of the Forces in the Service of the States General, arrived two days ago at Duisberg; The ſame day General Dorf went with a Party into the Neighbourhood of Keyſerſwaeft to view the Ground, and deſign a Camp near that Place.

Hamburgh, March 31. Letters from Liefland give an Account, that the King of Sweden not being ſatisfied with the Inſtructions given to the Ambaſſadors that were ſent to him by the Republick of Poland, continued to march with his Army directly to Warſaw; And the King of Poland had ſent out Circular Letters for all the Nobility and Gentry to be in a readineſs to mount on Horſeback for the Defence of the Kingdom. The Swediſh Forces in Pomeren are to form a Camp near Stetin in the beginning of May; and 'tis believed they will be ſent from thence by Sea to Courland. The Forces of Hanover and Cell continue to block up the City of Brunſwick, in order to oblige the Dukes of Wolfembuttel to quit their Engagements with France.

Bruſſels, April 3. An Expreſs paſſed by here laſt week in his way from the French Court to the Hague, with Diſpatches for the French Secretary, left there by Count d'Avaux. 'Tis ſaid, Don Quiros, the Spaniſh Ambaſſador to the States General, is ſhortly to return from hence to the Hague. The French King's Guards came laſt week from Paris to Valenciennes, where, 'tis ſaid, they are to quarter till the Arrival of the Duke of Burgundy, Generaliſſimo of the French Forces in theſe Parts. The Spaniſh Forces which marched lately to the Frontiers, are cantoned in the ſeveral Villages along the Lines from the Country of Waes to Dieſt, as the French Forces are in ſeveral Villages reaching from Dieſt to Gelderland, in order to obſerve the Motions of the Dutch Troops, of whom a conſiderable Body are drawing together on the Moeckerheyde. 'Tis ſaid, Marſhal Bouffliers will have his head Quarters at Dieſt, and the Marquis de Bedmar at Antwerp, or in the Country of Waes; and that Prince Serclaes, General of the Spaniſh Horſe in theſe Provinces, is to Cammand in Flanders.

Hague, April 5. *N. S.* The Sieur de Barré, who was left here as Secretary by Count d' Avaux the late French Ambaſſador, having taken upon him the Title of Reſident, preſented on the 31ſt of the laſt Month a Letter from the French King, with a Memorial to the States General, as follow,

The *French* King's Letter to the States General of the United Provinces.

Moſt dear great Friends, Allies, and Confederates,

WE have thought convenient to give to Monſieur de Barré *the Title of Our Reſident to your Lordſhips, that he may acquaint you with the Orders We ſhall ſend to him in that Quality, and make known to you the true Affection We have for your Republick; And We doubt not, but you will give Credit to all he ſhall declare to you in our Name. And ſo We pray God to have your Lordſhips, moſt dear Friends and Allies, in his Holy Keeping. Written at* Verſailles *the 27th of* March, 1702.

Your Good Friend, Ally, and Confederate,

Signed, LEWIS.

And underneath,

Colbert.

Memorial of the *French* Reſident to their High and Mighty Lordſhips the States General.

THE underwritten Reſident of the Moſt Chriſtian King has Orders to repreſent to your Lordſhips, That before the numerous Armies which His Majeſty has on foot are obliged to enter upon Action, His Majeſty is willing to remind your Lordſhips of what you owe to the Affection of the Kings his Predeceſſors, and the laſt Steps he made for Preſerving the Peace reſtored by the Treaty of Ryſwick. *It is not to be imputed to the King, if this Flouriſhing Republick, ever happy while they look'd upon their ſtrict Union with the Crown of* France, *as one of the Fundamental Maxims of your Government, did not long enjoy a perfect Tranquillity, and the Advantages which His Majeſty was pleaſed to grant them for their Commerce by the late Treaties. Your Lordſhips have ſeen how far he has carried his Patience and Moderation; His Majeſty has choſe rather to bear to the laſt Extremity the vain Reproaches of Weakneſs and Diſtruſt of his own Strength, than to undeceive your People, by turning his Arms againſt a State he ſtill looks upon with Affection; being perſwaded, That it is the Intereſt of Your Lordſhips to make a ſuitable Return: He judged you would do it as ſoon as you ſhould have recovered that Time of Liberty, in which you looked upon the maintaining of a good Intelligence with* France *as the moſt ſolid Support of Your Republick: And certainly the Meaſures you have taken contrary thereunto were the Effect of Violence and Conſtraint; This was the Conſtruction his Majeſty put upon the Breaking-off of the Conferences your Lordſhips had deſired for the Confirmation of the Peace, the Treaties made with the Enemies of the King of* Spain *againſt His Majeſty, and againſt the King his Grandſon; The Secret Aſſiſtance you have given for Invading the Countries belonging to the Catholick King; the Acts of Hoſtility exerciſed in a full Peace againſt His Majeſty's Troops; Your Refuſal to examine the Rights of the King of* Spain, *and thoſe of the* United Provinces, *after you had deſired Conferences for ſetling the ſame, and cauſing all Complaints to ceaſe on either ſide; Your Enterprizes againſt His Majeſty's Allies; And the Succours given by you, without any Reſerve for attacking them: Now that your Republick is reſtored to it's ſelf; That your own Spirit will govern; That your Intereſts alone will be conſulted; His Majeſty's Opinion of you will be regulated by your Conduct: All Occaſions of Complaint ſhall for ever lie buried; And the King Commands me to give this Aſſurance to your Lordſhips, if you will at laſt confide in his ancient and ſincere Friendſhip for you, nothing ſhall diſturb the Trade of your Subjects, you will have the pleaſure to ſee them enjoy, without any Interruption, all the Privileges and Advantages which they have obtained at ſeveral times from* France *and* Spain. *His Majeſty will promiſe it for himſelf, and will be Guarantee for the King his Grandſon, being aſſured that Prince will confirm the Treaty of* Munſter, *and the ſubſequent Treaties, as His Majeſty promiſes on his part to confirm thoſe of* Nimeguen *and* Rytwick. *The Safety of your Provinces, far from being threatned by His Majeſty, will become the chief Object of his Care, and the more ſolidly to eſtabliſh it, he will acquaint your Lordſhips with his Intentions, if either you name a Miniſter to underſtand them from His Majeſty, or that he appoints one to reſume the Quality and Functions of his Ambaſſador to your Lordſhips. Let not your Lordſhips any longer fear the Neighbourhood of ſo many Forces which you ſee on your Frontiers. It depends on you not only to make them your Friends, but even to make them wholly quit the* Spaniſh *Low Countries. The Peace being reſtored, and your Lordſhips diſarming the Guard of the Provinces of the Catholick King, ſhall thence forward be entruſted with his own Troops. A ſpeedy Reſolution will reſtore Tranquility to your Provinces; Peace and Liberty will at once revive there; It is your Lordſhips (now only adviſed with concerning the Government of the Republick) muſt determine which they will chuſe, Quiet and Liberty, or War, and the Ruine of their Trade ſacrificed to foreign Intereſts. The Seaſon for the Campaign draws near; His Majeſty's Armies are in a Condition to enter upon Action; your Lordſhips Prudence will let you ſee, in the little time which the Seaſon does yet allow for Conſultation, what Part you ought to act for the Good of your Country, and the immortal Glory of your Lordſhips. Done at the* Hague, March 31. 1702.

Signed Barré.